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Federal Communications Commission  
1919 M Street, N.W., 222  
Washington, D.C. 20554

ATTN: FCC Docket 92-235

Subject: Proposed Rule FCC Docket 92-235

Dear Sir:

I am unimpressed with your aim to create more room for more radios to use the cluttered air waves. Clallam County in Port Angeles, Washington, has had numerous difficulties with your past practices and now you are proposing to change equipment requirements when anyone relicenses. This will cause Clallam County tax dollars in excess of \$50,000 to be spent to re-radio a system which is not broken. The irony is the change to a 4KHZ band width will only create 20% more frequencies to be available than is presently. When you consider the number of licenses out there which will have these huge expenses for only 20% more capacity in the air waves, you have missed the point.

I feel that the FCC should consider an incentive program here. The companies which are asking for these new frequencies should pay the cost of present users buying new equipment.

When you decide to do something it would be nice if the end result was worth the cost, hassle, and headaches. You must know that radio frequencies skip and bounce and interfere with each other. When you change frequencies you open

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up a Pandora's box into the kinds and sources of interference which may call for special antenna configuration to remedy, if you can even fix them. These interferences are also International for us, which makes things many fold more difficult for users like us.